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On Thursday, April 17, Econoff delivered the reftel demarche along with associated documents from the State/EEB website to Trade Ministry Director Juan Guillermo Castro. Mr. Castro said that his unit is familiar with the issue, but had not yet developed a position. He reported that the Ministry is spending the majority of its time working on issues related to the EU trade talks as well as other bilateral negotiations. However, he stated that the GOC was analyzing the issue and would contact USTR officials directly if they needed additional information or had arrived at a position. BROWNFIELD